



# Appeals and State Hearings Newsletter

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## Types of Decisions



State Hearing Decisions result in various outcomes. A **"Granted"** decision means the State adjudicated in favor of the claimant and requires compliance action. A **"Denied"** decision means the State has denied the claim brought about by the claimant. The County's action is valid and there is no compliance other than terminating Aid Paid Pending, if applicable. In a **"Granted/Denied"** decision, the State has broken out the issues so that some parts are granted in favor of the claimant and other portions are denied so the County action stands. Compliance action is required as applicable. Lastly, **"Dismissed"** decisions are appeal claims that do not meet the criteria for a hearing and are "thrown out of court". Examples of dismissed claims include appeals of County actions that took effect over 90 days before the claimant filed the state hearing request and filings on issues that were the subject of previous state hearings.

## Coming Attractions

ASH has implemented new controls to track and report on compliances with conditional withdrawals (CWD). Line staff receive a Case Correction Memo (PA 411) form whenever ASH negotiates a CWD. The third page of the PA 411 is the response form (ASH 411-R) that line staff must return to ASH confirming full compliance with the needed case corrections. Office Heads will begin to receive monthly reports beginning July 2005 listing the PA 411s sent to their offices and the status of the compliance actions. It is important that line staff return the ASH 411-Rs timely so that they can be properly recorded in the CWD Tracking Controls.



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## ASH Meds Recon Database



### The ASH MEDS Recon

Database, a web-based application similar to Central Help Line's, is now functional and ready for use !! This automated system will track appeals filed as a result of the quarterly LEADER/MEDS Reconciliation process which requires ongoing reporting to the State. The system is a two-way communication between ASH and line staff. Documents can be attached to the notifications sent to line staff and a variety of reports are available for management purposes. Profile user status was given to authorized staff and training was given to impacted line staff on 4/27/05 and 4/28/05. The system will go live effective 5/9/05.



Case Correction Memos (PA 411) sent by ASH to district offices now identify potential Food Stamp errors. If the issue involves Food Stamps, a notation on the upper right hand corner of the PA 411 alerts districts that the case in question may have a potential Food Stamp error!



In April 2005, there were 280 PA 411s with FS alert notations. Remember that a corrected case means one less error case!!!

